

**DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION**

NORTH COAST REGION I  
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June 18, 2007

David E. Power  
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court  
Solano Superior Court  
600 Union Avenue  
Fairfield, CA 94533

Re: Response to 2006-2007 Grand Jury Report Entitled:  
**California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation – Delta Fire Camp**

On behalf of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE), and pursuant to Penal Code §933.05, the following response is offered to the above referenced Solano County Grand Jury Report.

CAL FIRE appreciates that the focus of the report addressed the traffic issues impacting day to day camp operations and safety. As noted in the report, the primary access from camp onto the state highway system is via State Highway 12 at Lambie Road. This highway is an older two lane road which carries a heavy daily load of high speed traffic. Entering onto this highway from Lambie Road presents several safety issues which are of concern.

When turning east onto Highway 12, the crew busses must immediately climb an uphill grade. While these crew busses are officially called Emergency Crew Transports, they are in fact 17 passenger busses. After crossing the downhill westbound lane, they have relatively little shoulder space to merge into the uphill eastbound lane and reach highway speeds. Similarly, approaching Lambie Road on eastbound Highway 12, there is limited visibility prior to crossing the westbound lane and entering Lambie Road.

CAL FIRE fully supports the recommendation of the Solano County Grand Jury to encourage responsible agencies to make safety a high priority when planning the future of this portion of State Highway 12.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dan Sendek'.

Daniel R. Sendek  
Division Chief, Delta Conservation Camp

cc. Solano County Grand Jury Office  
Ernie Loveless, CAL FIRE, Sonoma Lake Napa Unit